GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:445
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COTTON INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the problems being faced by cotton industry in the country particularly in Punjab;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and (

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) & (b): There is no information regarding difficulties / crises in the cotton industry in the country particularly in the State of Punjab. The year-wise production of cotton in the country as a whole for the last five years is as under:-

Production in lakh bales 170 kgs

2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
136	179	243	244	270

Source : Cotton Advisory Board (CAB)

Area, Production and Yield in the State of Punjab for the last three years is as under:-

Production in lakh bales 170 kgs

YEAR	2004-05			2005-06			2006-07		
	AREA	PRODU-CTION	YIELD	AREA	PRODU-CTION	YIELD	AREA	PRODU-CTION	YIELD
PUNJAB	5.09	16.50	551	5.57	20.00	610	5.88	26.00	752

Source : Cotton Advisory Board (CAB)

(c): Question does not arise in view of above.